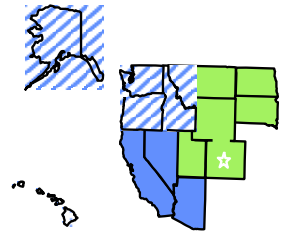




US Army Environmental Center Western Regional Environmental Office REGION 8 – MARCH 2006 **WESTERN REGION REVIEW**



The WESTERN REGION REVIEW provides current information on significant regulatory & legislative developments, as well as related information affecting DOD activities & operations in the Federal Region 8 area: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, & Wyoming. This information is intended for general guidance, and the reader should review the cited source documents for more detailed information to determine the applicability and scope of the referenced legislation and regulations. When used within the framework of ISO14001, this Review can be part of an installation's procedures to satisfy Section 4.3.2 (Legal and other requirements) of ISO14001. Please contact your regional point of contact if any pending rules or laws in this document will have a significant impact on your operations.

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FEDERAL AGENCY NEWS & REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS



ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

TRANSITION TO NEW OR REVISED PARTICULATE MATTER NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS (NAAQS) – The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has issued an advance notice of proposed rulemaking seeking comments on potentially revised PM 2.5 standards, as well as the transition from the current PM 10 standards to potentially new PM 10-2.5 standards (71 FR 6718). The EPA will take final action on the proposed revisions to the NAAQS for particulate matter by September 27, 2006. Comments are due by April 10, 2006. For more information, contact Larry Webber, USAEC, at (410) 436-1213.

REGULATION OF FUELS AND FUEL ADDITIVES – In advance of publication in the Federal Register, the EPA has announced that they are amending the fuels regulations to remove the oxygen content requirement for Reformulated Gasoline (RFG). The Energy Policy Act of 2005 removed the oxygen content requirement for RFG. This rule is effective nationally on May 5, 2006 and 60 days after publication in the Federal Register for California. Comments are due by April 14, 2006. For more information, contact Larry Webber, USAEC, at (410) 436-1213.
<http://www.epa.gov/oms/regs/fuels/rfg/nationaldfr.pdf>

APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF AIR QUALITY IMPLEMENTATION PLAN REVISION FOR NORTH DAKOTA – The EPA approved certain revisions to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) submitted by the Governor of North Dakota with a letter dated April 11, 2003 (71 FR 3764). The revisions affect certain portions of air pollution control rules regarding permitting. This rule is effective on March 27, 2006.

APPROVAL AND PROMULGATION OF LONG-TERM STRATEGY OF SIP FOR CLASS I VISIBILITY PROTECTION IN COLORADO – The EPA approved a SIP revision submitted by the Governor of Colorado with a letter dated March 24, 2005 (71 FR 3773). This revision updates the Long-Term Strategy of the Visibility SIP to establish strategies, activities, and monitoring plans that constitute reasonable progress toward the national visibility goal. This rule is effective on March 27, 2006. For more information, contact Larry Webber, USAEC, at (410) 436-1213.

WATER INFORMATION:

STAGE 2 DISINFECTANT BYPRODUCT RULE – The EPA has released an Initial Distribution System Evaluation (IDSE) Guidance Manual and Tool. The IDSE is required as part of Stage 2 Disinfectants and Disinfection Byproducts Rule. For more information, contact Misha Turner, USAEC, at (410) 436-1203. The Guidance Manual can be found at
http://www.epa.gov/safewater/disinfection/stage2/pdfs/guide_idse_full.pdf.

OIL POLLUTION PREVENTION – The EPA has extended the dates by which facilities must have prepared or amended, and implemented, Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure (SPCC) Plans ([71 FR 8462](#)). Facilities have until October 31, 2007 to amend and implement, or for facilities that came into operation after August 16, 2002, to prepare and implement an SPCC plan.

WASTE INFORMATION:

None.

OTHER INFORMATION:

CAUSAL ANALYSIS/DIAGNOSIS DECISION INFORMATION SYSTEM FOR AQUATIC SYSTEMS (CADDIS I) – The EPA has released the final version of CADDIS I, an on-line decision support system that helps investigators in the regions and states find, access, organize, use, and share information to produce causal evaluations in aquatic systems. <http://www.epa.gov/caddis>

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OTHER FEDERAL INFORMATION

90-DAY FINDING ON A PETITION TO LIST THE AMERICAN DIPPER IN THE BLACK HILLS OF SOUTH DAKOTA AS THREATENED OR ENDANGERED – The United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) announced a 90-day finding on a petition to list the distinct vertebrate population segment of American dipper in the Black Hills of South Dakota as threatened or endangered (71 FR 4341). The USFWS found that the petition and other readily available information do not provide substantial scientific or commercial information indicating that listing the American Dipper in the Black Hills of South Dakota may be warranted. For more information, contact Jay Rubinoff, USAEC, at (410) 436-1564.

FY2004 ON ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPENDING – The USFWS released a report on FY 2004 Endangered Species Act spending. A copy of the report can be found at <http://www.fws.gov/endangered/>.

ARMY SUSTAINABILITY VIDEO – The Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Army (Installations & Environment) is producing an Army sustainability training video. The video is targeted to Army leaders at all levels and installation staff members across all functional areas. For more information, contact USAEC, (410) 436-6866 or the USAEC Technology Transfer Hotline at T2hotline@aec.apgea.army.mil.



UPCOMING CONFERENCES, SYMPOSIUMS AND TRAINING ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	DETAILS
EPA Training Courses	Multiple Dates	Multiple Sites	The EPA continually offers regional and national training opportunities on a variety of subjects. www.trainex.org
American Indian Cultural Communication Training	March 7-9, 2006	Albuquerque, NM	The DoD will conduct a free three-day training course that provides an overview of DoD's American Indian and Alaska Native Policy and cover practical methods to enhance formal consultation and intercultural communication with tribes. For more information, email lberg@teleport.com .
Conference on Soils, Sediments, and Water	March 13 -16, 2006	San Diego, CA	Sponsored by the Association for Environmental Health Sciences. http://www.aehs.com/conferences/westcoast/
Introduction to Cultural Resources Management	March 14 – 16, 2006 August 15 – 17, 2006	Atlanta, GA New London, CT	This course provides an integrated overview of all pertinent laws and regulations needed to understand and fulfill cultural resource management responsibilities. For more information, please visit https://www.cecos.navy.mil/showcourse.cfm?CourseID=25 .
Restoring Forests and Strengthening Economies	March 14 – 16, 2006	Denver, CO	The topic of invasive plants, which may be considered for use in bioenergy/bioproducts efforts, will be discussed. http://www.nationalbiomassconference.org/
Federal Facilities Priority Chemicals Workshop	March 16, 2006	San Francisco, CA	This free workshop is designed to give you viable alternatives to reduce the use of priority chemicals outlined in Federal Executive Order 13148. For more information, email Woods.larry@epa.gov or call 415-972-3857.
Joint Services Environmental Management Conference	March 20 - 23, 2006	Denver, CO	The theme of the conference is transformation, highlighting the many new and innovative ways the Department of Defense and other agencies are transforming how we are meeting our mission needs while protecting the environment. http://www.jsemconference.com/2006/
Hazardous Waste Management and Manifesting Initial DOT Certification Course	March 20 – 24, 2006	Omaha, NE	The intent of this course is to fulfill the initial training requirements of 49 CFR 172, Subpart H. Topics include RCRA waste classification, land disposal restrictions and notifications, generator requirements, manifesting requirements, etc. To register for Course 223, go to http://pdsc.usace.army.mil/RegistrationInfo.aspx . For information about the course, contact sandi.m.zebrowski@usace.army.mil . Courses details are at http://pdsc.usace.army.mil/CourseListDetail.aspx?CtrlNbr=223 .
National Military Fish and Wildlife Association Conference	March 21 -24, 2006	Columbus, OH	Annual meeting covering cultural and natural resources management on military lands. http://www.nmfwa.org/2006_Meeting/index.htm
Hazardous Waste Management and Manifest DOT Recertification Course	March 22 – 23, 2006	Omaha, NE	The intent is to fulfill the recurrent training requirements of 49 CFR 172, Subpart H as they relate to the transportation of hazardous wastes and the use of a hazardous waste manifest. The course is listed as an approved DOD training source. Register for Course 429 at http://pdsc.usace.army.mil/RegistrationInfo.aspx . For information about the course, contact sandi.m.zebrowski@usace.army.mil .
5th National Integrated Pest Management Symposium	April 4-6, 2006	St. Louis, MO	Symposium sessions will address state of the art strategies and technologies to successfully solve pest problems in agricultural, recreational, natural and community settings. http://www.ipmcenters.org/ipmsymposium/

EVENT	DATE	LOCATION	DETAILS
Historic Preservation Law and Section 106 Compliance Course	April 18 -20, 2006 July 18 – 20, 2006	Denver, CO Langley, VA	This course emphasizes legal compliance (the National Historic Preservation Act Section 106 process) through the use of actual case studies. It addresses legislation and the process to meet the requirements of the law. Course content includes, but is not limited to, the stewardship role, use of historic properties, and communications with related oversight agencies. For more information, please visit https://www.cec.navy.mil/showcourse.cfm?CourseID=24 .
Environmental Negotiation Workshop	April 18-20, 2006	Bremerton, WA	This three-day workshop provides instruction on the negotiating and communication skills necessary to establish productive relationships and achieve beneficial agreements with regulatory and public stakeholders. It is intended for military and civilian personnel in environmental compliance, installation restoration, natural and cultural resources that are responsible for communicating and negotiating with other environmental professionals, regulators, and public stakeholders. https://www.cec.navy.mil/coursedetail.cfm?courseid=20
National Association of Environmental Professionals Annual Conference	April 23 - 26, 2006	Albuquerque, NM	This year's conference theme centers on <i>Global Perspectives on Regional Issues: The Future for Environmental Professionals in the Next 30 Years</i> . http://www.naep.org/displayconvention.cfm
9th National Mitigation & Conservation Banking Conference	April 24 -27, 2006	Portland, OR	This year's theme is "Environmental Banking: Cultivating this Green Frontier." http://www.mitigationbankingconference.com/
National Environmental Partnership Summit	May 8-11, 2006	Atlanta, GA	The theme for the summit is "Stewardship in Action". Join environmental leaders in examining partnering, science and systems-based approaches, multi-media and integrated strategies, and sustainability. www.environmentalsummit.org
American Water Works Association Annual Conference	June 11-15, 2005	San Antonio, TX	Learn about all aspects of the water industry. http://www.awwa.org/ace06/
Natural Resources Compliance Course	June 20 -23, 2006	Colorado Springs, CO	This course offers instruction in specific natural resources laws, regulations, policies, Executive Orders, DoD instructions, and other guidance, noting Service-specific requirements. The course addresses stewardship, preservation and process; fish, game and wildlife management laws; protection of wetlands, waterways and other protected ecological areas; forest and land use management laws; and interservice cooperation. For more information go to https://www.cec.navy.mil/showcourse.cfm?CourseID=42 .
Air & Waste Management Association Annual Conference and Exhibition	June 20 -23, 2006	New Orleans, LA	The air quality and waste management challenges faced during earliest states of Hurricane Katrina recovery and the firsthand availability of the experts who dealt with those challenges throughout the Gulf Coast region affords conference attendees the unique opportunity for a program closely tied with A&WMA's mission. http://www.awma.org/ACE2006/
Community Involvement Conference & Training	June 27 – 30, 2006	Milwaukee, WI	This conference brings together public participation and community involvement professionals from EPA and its federal, state, tribal, and local partners. http://www.epa.gov/superfund/action/community/ciconference/2006/index.htm
Health Risk Communication Workshops	July 5-7, 2006 August 22-24, 2006	San Antonio, TX Colorado Springs, CO	The Risk Communication Training Program prepares defense agencies, uniformed services, and veteran services personnel to interact better with both internal and external audiences in sensitive and challenging situations related to encroachment, sustainability, environmental, and other topics. http://chppm-www.apgea.army.mil/risk
StormCon	July 24 – 27, 2006	Denver, CO	The fifth annual North American Surface Water Quality Conference and Exposition will offer sessions on best management practices and research designed to provide solutions to community surface water quality problems and compliance challenges. http://www.stormcon.com/sc.html

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STATE REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS, LEGISLATION, AND NEWS



COLORADO

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CLEAN AIR MERCURY RULE – The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) is discussing the implementation of the Clean Air Mercury Rule (CAMR). It is anticipated that CDPHE will adopt the federal rule by reference almost in its entirety. An initial stakeholder meeting was held January 12, 2006. The CDPHE anticipates requesting the initiation of rulemaking on April 20, 2006. For more information, contact Melanie Loyzim at (303) 692-3147. The CAMR Web site is available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/ap/reg6.html>.

FOUR CORNERS AIR QUALITY TASK FORCE – The CDPHE, in conjunction with the New Mexico Environment Department, has formed an Air Quality Task Force to review air quality issues in the Four Corners region. Specific areas of interest include NAAQS, Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) increment compliance, and degradation of visibility and increased deposition. The Task Force held a public meeting on February 8, 2006. For more information, contact Chris Dann at (303) 692-3281. The Task Force Web site is available at <http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/aqb/4C/index.html>.

REVISIONS TO REGULATION NUMBER 3, STATIONARY SOURCE PERMITTING AND AIR POLLUTANT EMISSION NOTICE REQUIREMENTS – The CDPHE has adopted revisions to Regulation Number 3 to repeal the clean unit exclusion provisions, the pollution control project provisions and record keeping provisions regarding requirements for sources to maintain records of emission calculations if a source has a “reasonable possibility” of causing a significant emissions increase. These revisions were reviewed by the State Legislature in December 2005. For more information, contact Melanie Loyzim at (303) 692-3147. The rulemaking Web site is available at http://www.dora.state.co.us/pls/real/SB121_Web.Show_Rule?p_rule_id=1451.

WATER INFORMATION:

REGULATION 71, DILLON RESERVOIR CONTROL REGULATION – The Water Quality Control Commission (WQCC) is discussing the triennial review of Regulation 71. The WQCC will hold a public hearing on March 14, 2006 to accept public comment on the regulation. For more information, contact Diana Glaser at (303) 692-3469. Notice of the public hearing is available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/MeetingsandHearings/HearingNotices/Triennial/71TRIHDf>.

2006 305(B) REPORT – The WQCC is proposing to adopt the 2006 305(b) report. The report provides the public with the status of all waterbodies in the state regardless of whether they do or do not meet applicable water quality standards. The WQCC will hold a public hearing on March 14, 2006. Written comments are due March 1, 2006. For more information, contact Diana Glaser at (303) 692-3469. The draft report is available at [http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/2006_305\(b\).pdf](http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/2006_305(b).pdf).

TRIENNIAL REVIEW FOR REVISIONS TO THE SAN JUAN AND GUNNISON RIVER BASINS

– The WQCC is considering revisions to the San Juan and Dolores River Basin and Gunnison and Lower Dolores River Basins water quality classifications and numeric standards (Regulations 34 and 35). The draft rulemaking notice was released on February 10, 2006. Prehearing statements are due April 4, 2006 with a prehearing conference on May 24, 2006. For more information, contact Diana Glaser at (303) 692-3469. <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/MeetingsandHearings/HearingNotices/informational/Scoping/NoticeISH3435.pdf>.

REVISED WATER QUALITY STANDARDS FOR SEGMENTS 5 AND 7 OF THE EAGLE RIVER

– The WQCC has adopted amendments to the water quality standards for Segments 5 and 7 of the Eagle River in the classifications and numeric standards for the North Platte River and Upper Colorado River Basin. The WQCC gave final approval of the regulations at the January 9, 2006 hearing. For more information, contact Diana Glaser at (303) 692-3469. General information on the basin plan is available at http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/wqcc/RMH34_35draft.pdf.

AMENDMENTS TO REGULATORY FLOODPLAIN RULE – The Colorado Department of Natural Resources (DNR) has amended the Regulatory Floodplain Rule. The revisions: add recommended activities for regulated floodplains; set forth the requirements for delineating floodplains; establish standards for regulatory floodways, dams and levees; set forth a process for designating and approving regulatory floodplains; and set forth requirements for flood mitigation measures and stream alteration activities on regulatory floodplains. The rules became effective on December 1, 2005. For more information, contact Thomas Browning at (303) 866-3441. The regulations are at http://cwcb.state.co.us/flood_watch/PDFs/FINAL%20September%2012%202005%20Rules%20and%20Regs.pdf.

CONTROL AND DISPOSITION OF DRINKING WATER TREATMENT RESIDUALS CONTAINING TECHNOLOGICALLY ENHANCED NATURALLY OCCURRING RADIOACTIVE MATERIALS

– The CDPHE is proposing a guidance document on Drinking Water Treatment Residuals Containing Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials (TENORM). The CDPHE is accepting comments through April 7, 2006. For more information, contact Steve Tarlton at (303) 692-3423. The TENORM Web site is available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/wq/TENORM/tenorm.html>. The draft guidance document is available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/wq/TENORM/Publiccomment.html>.

WASTE INFORMATION:

AMENDMENTS REGARDING ASBESTOS WASTE MANAGEMENT – The Colorado Board of Health (BOH) adopted revisions to the existing solid waste regulations concerning asbestos waste disposal and management of asbestos contaminated soils. The BOH adopted the revisions on February 15, 2006. They become effective on April 30, 2006. For more

information, contact Joe Schieffelin at (303) 692-3356 or Colleen Brisnehan at (303) 692-3357. The final proposed regulation is available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/bh/bhhom.asp>.

AMENDMENTS TO THE HAZARDOUS WASTE REGULATIONS – The Hazardous Waste Commission (HWC) adopted amendments to the hazardous waste regulations regarding requirements for used oil storage, contingency plans, transfer facilities, hazardous waste listing, and generator treatment and land disposal restrictions. The changes to the used oil storage requirements (Section 279.22) require that containers stored outdoors be kept closed during storage except when necessary to add or remove oil. The amendments to the transfer facility requirements (Section 263.12) add a requirement that the owner or operator of a transfer facility maintain documentation to verify compliance with the 10-day storage limit requirement (pursuant to section 263.12). The amendments to the hazardous waste listing requirements (Section 261.31(a)) clarify the definition of "conversion coating." Lastly, the land disposal restriction requirements (Section 100.21) make the land disposal requirement consistent with that found in Section 268.7(a)(5) that require a generator to maintain a copy of the waste analysis plan on site. The HWC also considered revisions to amend contingency plan requirements (Section 265.52) to require that plans also identify the applicable Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) and that a copy of the contingency plan be provided to the LEPC. The amendment to Section 265.52 has been put on hold so that the HWC can solicit additional information from local emergency planning commissions. The HWC will consider these amendments at a hearing scheduled for March 21, 2006. For more information, contact Randy Perila at (303) 692-3364. The final amended identification and listing requirements are available at <http://www.cdphe.state.co.us/op/regs/hazwaste/10073261hazwasteidentificationlisting.pdf>.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

The 2006 legislative session began on January 11, 2006 and will end on May 10, 2006. For information on the legislative session, link: <http://www.leg.state.co.us/>.

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Air	SB 58	Senator Ron May (R) Representative Mark Larson (R)	Proposes to change the requirement for periodic emissions inspections of light-duty diesel motor vehicles from once every 12 months to once every 24 months for vehicles of model year 2004 or newer.	Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee 2/7/06	1/12/06			
	HB 1113	Representative Anne McGihon (D)	Proposes to allow state air quality regulations and implementation plans, to be more stringent than federal law in preventing or reducing air pollution, consistent with the legislative declaration of the "Colorado Air Pollution Prevention and Control Act."	Second reading lost with amendments 2/3/06	1/13/06			
	HB 1177	Representative Anne McGihon (D)	Proposes to continue the asbestos control program in CDPHE until July 1, 2013.	Passed House second reading 2/20/06	1/23/06			
	HB 1302	Representative Joe Stengel (R)	Proposes to eliminate the existing basic emissions program. Expands the Clean Screen Program.	House Transportation and Energy Committee hearing 2/23/06	2/3/06			
	HB 1309	Representative Anne McGihon (D)	Proposes to allow state air quality regulations and implementation plans, to be more stringent than federal law in preventing or reducing air pollution, consistent with the legislative declaration of the Colorado Air Pollution Prevention and Control Act.	Reported from House Health and Human Services Committee 2/6/06	2/5/06			

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Water	SB 34	Senator Lewis Entz (R) Representative Mary Hodge (D)	Proposes to specify that the Board of Directors of the Colorado Water Resources and Power Development Authority shall include one member who is experienced in public health issues related to water quality.	Referred to Senate Agriculture, Natural Resources and Energy Committee 1/11	1/11/06			
	HB 1253	Representative James Sullivan (R)	Grants county board of commissioners authority to regulate water quality related issues, as is necessary to comply with rules promulgated by the WQCC.	Postponed indefinitely 2/14/06	1/31/06			
	SB 132	Representative Greg Brophy (R)	Proposes to extend the repeal date of the domestic wastewater treatment grant program to allow the state to enter into contracts with counties on behalf of unincorporated areas for construction of high priority domestic wastewater treatment projects.	Passed second Senate reading 2/17/06	1/27/06			
	SB 179	Senator Jim Isgar (D)	Proposes to create the Water Supply Reserve Account in the Severance Tax Trust Fund.	Referred to Senate Appropriations Committee 2/16/06	2/6/06			
Waste	HB 1074	Representative Judy Solano (D) Senator Steve Johnson (R)	Proposes to extend the waste tire recycling fee. Proposes to require that the Advanced Technology Fund be used to finance research and development with regard to waste diversion and recycling strategies.	Introduced to Senate 2/8/06	1/11/06	2/6/06		
	HB 1303	Representative Tom Plant (D)	Proposes to create a county environmental hazard remediation fund within the state treasury.	House Finance Committee hearing 2/22/06	2/2/06			

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	SB 8	Senator Ron May (R) Representative John Pommer (D)	Proposes to require motor vehicles that weigh less than 10,000 pounds and transport hazardous waste materials to meet the minimum standards for commercial vehicles.	Sent to House on 1/31/06	1/11/06	1/31/06		
Natural Resources	HB 1311	Representative Kathleen Curry (D)	Proposes to appropriate money from the Species Conservation Trust Fund for programs submitted by the Executive Director of the DNR that are designed to conserve native species that have been listed as threatened or endangered under state or federal law.	Hearing in House Agriculture, Livestock, and Natural Resources Committee 2/20/06	2/5/06			
Land Use	HB 1025	Representative Morgan Carroll (D) Senator Bob Hagedorn (D)	Proposes to create concurrent legislative jurisdiction between the state of Colorado and the United States over specified real property within the Buckley Air Force Base. The bill would cede concurrent legislative jurisdiction over specified tracts within the Base.	Passed second Senate Reading 1/20/06	1/11/06			
	HB 1053	Representative John Pommer (D)	Proposes to allow each local government with a population greater than 10,000 to prepare, adopt and update a growth management master plan.	Reported from House Local Government Committee 1/31/06	1/11/06			
	HB 1096	Representative Lynn Hefley (R)	Proposes to prohibit a district from having and exercising the power of eminent domain or dominant eminent domain unless certain conditions have been satisfied.	Held in House State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee 2/7/06	1/13/06			

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	HB 1099	Representative Cory Gardner (R)	Proposes to prohibit the state or any political subdivision from exercising the power of eminent domain except where the exercise of the power is for a public use as defined in the act.	Held in House State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee 2/7/06	1/13/06			
	HB 1208	Representative Kevin Lundberg (R)	Proposes to provide that, in any case in which private property has been taken by condemnation, the property owner will be awarded an additional and special amount of compensation for the violation of the property owner's private property rights and for any additional costs and damages incurred by the property owner resulting from the condemnation.	Held in House State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee 2/7/06	1/27/06			
	SB 154	Senator Ron May (R)	Proposes to cross-reference various statutory provisions pertaining to the power of eminent domain.	Referred to Senate State, Veterans & Military Affairs Committee 1/31/06	1/31/06			
	SB 169	Senator Lois Tochtrop (D)	Proposes to make changes to requirements of establishment and review of an urban renewal authority or the approval of an urban renewal plan.	Referred to Senate State, Veterans & Military Affairs Committee 1/30/06	1/30/06			
Other	SB 3	Kester Rose	Proposes the use of biofuels in state buildings.	Reported from Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Committee 2/20/06	1/11/06	1/31/06		

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	SB 16	Senator Lewis Entz (R) Representative John Pommer (D)	Proposes to require the Executive Director of the Department of Personnel to establish a policy by January 1, 2007, requiring all state-owned diesel vehicles and equipment to use a fuel blend of 20% biodiesel and 80% petroleum diesel.	Second Senate Reading 1/20/06	1/11/06			
	HB 1095	Representative Paul Weissmann (R) Senator Deanna Hanna (D)	Relates to preferences for the purchase of environmentally friendly products by government entities.	Referred to Senate Finance Committee 2/1/06	1/13/06	1/31/06		
	HB 1239	Representative Diane Hoppe (R)	Proposes to amend the sunset provision of the "Pesticide Applicators' Act."	Passed second reading in House 2/17/06	1/31/06			
	HB 1265	Representative K. Jerry Frangas (D) Senator Paula Sandoval (D)	Proposes additional requirements pertaining to lead based paint abatement	Passed second reading in House 2/20/06	2/1/06			
	HB 1274	Representative Mary Hodge (D)	Proposes to continue the regulation of pesticide applicators by the Commissioner of Agriculture until July 1, 2015.	Hearing in House Agriculture, Livestock, and Natural Resources Committee 2/20/06	2/2/06			

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	HB 1317	Representative Alice Madden (D)	Proposes to direct the Colorado Energy Research Institute and the Energy and Environmental Security Initiative at the University of Colorado to annually create a Colorado energy profile containing up-to-date statistical energy information relating to Colorado.	Referred to House Transportation and Energy Committee 2/6/06	2/6/06			
	SB 138	Senator Brandon Shaffer (D)	Proposes to address Interim Committee on Rural Economic Development Issues. Requires that all gasoline sold in Colorado contain a percentage of denatured ethanol by a certain date.	Laid over 2/16/06	1/27/06			
	HJR 1006	Madden Senator Brandon Shaffer (D)	Proposes to designate 25 January as Colorado Military and Veterans Appreciation Day.	Signed by President of the Senate 1/30/06	1/20/06	1/25/06	1/25/06	

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MONTANA

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

MERCURY CONTROL PLAN FOR COAL-FIRED ELECTRIC GENERATING UNITS – The Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is discussing the development of a mercury control plan for coal-fired electrical generating facilities. A rulemaking is anticipated to begin in March 2006. For more information, contact Debbie Skibicki at (406) 444-1472.

GLOBAL CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE – The DEQ is discussing the development of a Global Climate Change Advisory Committee. The goal of the Committee is to establish ways for Montana to reduce its emissions of greenhouse gases beginning in 2007. For more information, contact Robert Habeck at (406) 444-7305.

WATER INFORMATION:

RUBY RIVER WATERSHED – The DEQ is proposing a total maximum daily load (TMDL) for the Ruby TMDL planning area. The pollutants addressed in the Ruby TMDL include sediment, metals, nutrients, and thermal modification. The DEQ accepted comments on the TMDL through February 21, 2006. For more information, contact Robert Ray at (406) 444-5319. The draft TMDL is available at <http://deq.mt.gov/wqinfo/TMDL/Ruby/PRRubyCover.pdf>.

TONGUE RIVER, POWDER RIVER, AND ROSEBUD CREEK TMDLS – The DEQ is developing TMDLs for the Tongue River, Powder River, and Rosebud Creek. The criteria pollutants for these TMDLs are still under development. The criteria pollutant for the Tongue River is salinity. The assessment and modeling report for the Tongue River TMDL are expected to be released for public comment in late winter 2006. For more information, contact Robert Ray at (406) 444-5319. General information on the TMDLs is available at <http://www.deq.state.mt.us/wqinfo/TMDL/TonguePowderRosebudTMDL.asp>.

LAKE HELENA WATERSHED WATER QUALITY RESTORATION PLAN AND TMDLS – The DEQ is proposing a Water Quality Restoration Plan and TMDLs for the Lake Helena Watershed. Volume II contains a draft plan to attain and maintain water quality standards in all of those waters considered impaired in Volume I. The DEQ released Volume II of the TMDL on December 16, 2005. Comments were due February 28, 2006. For more information, contact Robert Ray at (406) 444-5319. The proposed plan (Volume I) is available at <http://www.deq.state.mt.us/wqinfo/TMDL/TMDLDrafts/LakeHelena/LakeHelenaPlan.pdf>. Volume II of the Lake Helena TMDL is available at <http://deq.mt.gov/wqinfo/TMDL/Lake%20Helena/Lake%20Helena%20TMDL.pdf>.

MONTANA WATER QUALITY STANDARDS - The DEQ is proposing to update and correct WQB-7, Montana's Numeric Water Quality Standards and review and update the Montana Surface Water Quality Standards. These changes are proposed in order to ensure compliance with water quality standard review requirements under state and federal law. The amendments were presented to the Board of Environmental Review (BER) on February 3, 2006. For more

information, contact Robert Bukantis at (406) 444-4684. Some of the proposed revisions are available at http://www.deq.state.mt.us/wqinfo/Standards/Puboutreachsum3rev_files/WQB7.pdf.

UPDATES TO THE PUBLIC WATER AND SEWAGE SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS AND SUBDIVISIONS – The DEQ is proposing to adopt, by reference, updated versions of the following circulars: "Standards for Water Works"; "Standards for Small Water Systems"; and "Ground Water Under the Direct Influence of Surface Water". The proposed rule was presented to the BER for final adoption on February 3, 2006. For more information, contact James Madden Phone at (406) 444-4009.

AMENDMENTS TO MUNICIPAL WATER USE RULES – The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation is proposing to remove the definition of "municipal use." The amendment would remove the definition from the implementing rules of the Montana Water Use Act. Written comments were due on February 10, 2006. For more information, contact Kimberly Overcast at (406) 444-6614. The proposed revisions are available at http://dnrc.mt.gov/About_Us/notices/36-22-101.pdf.

WASTE INFORMATION:

AMENDMENTS TO THE UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK RULES – The DEQ is proposing to adopt amendments to the Underground Storage Tank (UST) regulations that would: amend the definitions section to incorporate language implementing the oil/water separator exemption; establish a definition of "significant noncompliance;" eliminate the operating tag requirements; provide a uniform compliance deadline for corrective action following a pre-permit issuance inspection; apply the same closure requirements to inactive and out of service tanks; and amend the financial responsibility requirements. The DEQ will hold a public hearing on March 9, 2006 to accept public comment. Written comments are due March 16, 2006. The proposed regulations will be submitted to the BER at a later date for final approval. For more information, contact Bob Martin at (406) 444-4194. The proposed regulatory text is available at <http://deq.mt.gov/dir/legal/Notices/17-241pro.pdf>.

REVISIONS TO THE ASBESTOS REGULATIONS – The DEQ is proposing revisions to the asbestos regulations. The proposed regulations would: incorporate by reference the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) Manual of Analytical Methods and the Montana Asbestos Work Practices and Procedures Manual; add new Rule III defining relevant asbestos terms; add new Rule IV, Asbestos Project Requirements; add new Rule V, Inspection of Demolition and Renovation Activities; add new Rule VI, Asbestos Project Permits; add new Rule VII, Asbestos Project Control Measures; and add new Rule VIII, Clearing Asbestos Projects. The revisions will also include requirements for accreditation for asbestos-related occupations. A public hearing will be held March 6, 2006. Written comments are due March 13, 2006. For more information, contact Bob Martin at (406) 444-4194.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

There is no 2006 regular legislative session. For information on the 2005 legislative session, link: <http://www.leg.state.mt.us>.

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NORTH DAKOTA

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CLEAN AIR MERCURY RULE – The North Dakota Department of Health (DOH) is discussing implementation of the federal Clean Air Mercury Rule. The DOH likely will adopt EPA's model rule and model allocation plan by reference. For more information, contact Tom Bachman at (701) 328-5188.

WATER INFORMATION:

None.

WASTE INFORMATION:

None.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

There is no 2006 regular legislative session. For information on the 2005 legislative session, link: <http://www.state.nd.us/lr/>.

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SOUTH DAKOTA

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

None.

WATER INFORMATION:

AMENDMENTS TO THE WATE AND WASTEWATER OPERATOR CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

– The South Dakota Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) is proposing to amend the water and wastewater operator certification requirements. The revisions would modify the experience requirement for a water/wastewater operator that does not have applicable post-high school education in order to become certified as a Class III or IV operator. The DENR will hold a public hearing on April 4, 2006. For more information, contact Rob Kittay at (605) 773-4208.

WASTE INFORMATION:

None.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

The 2006 legislative session began on January 10, 2006 and will end in March 2006. For information on the legislative session, link: <http://legis.state.sd.us/index.cfm>.

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Air								
Water								
Waste	HB 1016	House State Affairs Committee	Proposes to provide for the creation of renewable electricity and recycled energy credit system by the Public Utilities Commission.	Referred to Senate State Affairs Committee 2/20/06	1/10/06	1/19/06		
	SB 41	Senate Transportation Committee	Proposes to require that a driver must be at least 21 years old if engaged in interstate commerce, or transporting hazardous material of a type or quantity requiring placarding or if the driver is operating a vehicle designed to transport more than fifteen passengers including the driver. The bill also proposes that any violation of the motor carrier safety requirements or the hazardous materials transportation regulations now be Class 2 misdemeanors and any violation of the hazardous materials regulations pertaining to packaging be a Class 1 misdemeanor.	Passed in House Transportation Committee 2/1/06	1/10/06	1/18/06	2/2/06	Signed by Governor 2/10/06
	SB 43	Senate Transportation Committee	Proposes to update certain provisions for the storage of explosive materials.	Passed Senate 1/20/06	1/10/06	1/20/06	2/3/06	Signed by Governor 2/10/06

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Natural Resources								
Land Use	HB 1080	Representative Larry Rhoden (R)	Proposes to prohibit counties, municipalities, or housing and redevelopment commissions to acquire private property by use of eminent domain for the transfer to any private person, nongovernmental entity, or other public or private business entity or for the enhancement of tax revenue.	Sent to the Governor 2/17/06	1/18/06	1/25/06	2/14/06	
	HB 1201	Representative Margaret Gillespie (D) Senator Mike Broderick (R)	Proposes to require that persons who are seeking to acquire property that is subject to condemnation under the power of eminent domain must provide the landowner with a printed copy of the Summary of the Rights of Landowners in Condemnation Proceedings.	Deferred by House State Affairs Committee 2/8/06	1/23/06			
Other								

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UTAH

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

ADOPTION OF NEW SOURCE REVIEW REFORMS – The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is proposing to adopt amendments to the state New Source Review rules. Rule adoption was anticipated for February 2, 2006. For more information, contact Jan Miller at (801) 536-4042. The proposed revisions are available at <http://www.airquality.utah.gov/NSR/index.html>.

2004 SULFUR DIOXIDE MILESTONE REPORT – The DEQ is proposing to adopt the 2004 Sulfur Dioxide Milestone Report. Written comments were due March 1, 2006. For more information, contact Jan Miller at (801) 536-4042. The 2004 report is available at <http://www.wrapair.org/index.html>.

WATER INFORMATION:

R317- 4 ONSITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS – The DEQ is proposing amendments to R317-4, Onsite Wastewater Systems. The DEQ plans to repeal the existing "alternative" methods and replace them with new, clearer methodologies that will better delineate responsibilities between the DEQ and local and state health agencies. The DEQ also expects to add several new onsite wastewater disposal system technologies to the rules. The Water Quality Board was expected to consider adoption of the amendments on January 20, 2006. However, the item has been removed from the agenda. No further schedule for development is currently available. For more information, contact Kiran Bhayani at (801) 538-6080. The proposed rule text is available at http://waterquality.utah.gov/Rules/R317-4_text_6-6-05.pdf.

AMENDMENTS TO DRINKING WATER RULES – The DEQ has amended R309-100 to update the definition of public drinking water system and increase the frequency for conducting sanitary surveys of public water systems to remain current with federal requirements. The amendments were adopted September 9, 2005 and became effective on September 13, 2005. The final revised rule is available at <http://rules.utah.gov/publicat/code/r309/r309-100.htm#E4>.

WASTE INFORMATION:

None.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

The 2006 legislative session began on January 16, 2006 and will end on March 1, 2006. For information on the legislative session, link: <http://www.le.state.ut.us/>.

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Air	HB 259	Representative Aaron Tilton (R)	Proposes to modify the Air Conservation Act to allow a person to obtain a stay of an order if certain requirements are met.	3 rd House reading 2/16/06	1/16/06			
Water	HB 38	Representative Ben Ferry (R)	Proposes to allow reuse of water by a public agency, including water for which water rights are not owned by the agency but a reuse authorization contract exists and establishes the process for approval of a water reuse project.	Favorable recommendation from House Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment Committee 1/20/06	1/16/06			
	HB 228	Representative David Ure (R)	Proposes to authorize the State Engineer to create a groundwater management plan for any groundwater basin or aquifer and allow conjunctive management of hydrologically connected ground and surface water.	Reported from House Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment Committee 1/20/06	1/16/06			
	HB 47	Representative David Ure (R)	Requires that certain state sales and use tax revenues be transferred to the Water Resources Conservation and Development Fund and used by the Division of Water Resources for preconstruction costs for certain water projects. Defines "preconstruction costs."	Sent to Senate 2/1/06	1/16/06	1/31/06		

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
	HB 357	Representative David Ure (R)	Proposes to create the Water Issues Task Force consisting on five members of the Senate and eight members of the House.	Referred to Senate Business and Labor Committee 2/20/06	2/2/06	2/17/06		
	SB 39	Senator Lyle Hillyard (R)	Proposes to appropriate 25% of any General Fund surplus to the Water Conservation and Development Fund at the end of each fiscal year after other statutory requirements for distribution of the surplus have been met.	Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Committee failed to recommend 2/6/06	1/16/06			
Waste	HB 271	Representative David Ure (R)	Proposes to require owners and operators of underground storage tanks that elect to participate in the Environmental Assurance Program to include all of their tanks in the Petroleum Storage Tank Trust Fund.	Passed 2 nd House reading 1/31/06	1/16/06			
	SB 70	Senator Howard Stephenson (R)	Proposes to modify existing statutes governing the legislative and gubernatorial approval requirements for the disposal of certain commercial radioactive wastes, hazardous wastes, and nonhazardous solid wastes.	Sent to the Governor 2/16/06	1/19/06	2/1/06	2/15/06	
	SB 209	Senator Dan Eastman (R) Representative Rebecca Lockhart (R)	Proposes to modify nonhazardous solid waste disposal fees and reduces the amount of waste disposal fees that are deposited into the General Fund.	2 nd Senate reading 2/16/06	2/9/06			

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
	SB 215	Senator Scott McCoy (D)	Proposes to define "Electronic waste" as a system unit, cathode ray tube, flat panel screen, or other similar video display device with a screen size of greater than 4 inches measured diagonally. Prohibits the disposal of electronic waste after 2007.	2 nd Senate reading 2/17/06	2/8/06			
Natural Resources	HB 139	Representative Bradley Johnson (R)	Proposes to modify survey and excavation permit requirements and modify comment requirements for state undertakings on historic property.	3 rd House reading 2/16/06	1/20/06			
	SB 67	Senator Beverly Evans (R)	Proposes to create within the General Fund two restricted accounts consisting of grants and donations to be used to monitor and enforce compliance with conservation easements held by the Department of Natural Resources and the Department of Agriculture and Food respectively.	Draft bill enrolled 2/20/06	1/17/06	2/1/06	2/16	
Land Use	SB 117	Senator Howard Stephenson (R)	Proposes to require the taking of property by a county, city, or town to be approved by the legislative body of that county, city, or town.	Reported from Senate Government Operations and Political Subdivisions Committee 1/26/06	1/16/06			

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
	HB 267	Representative Julie Fisher (R) Senator Charlene Walker (R)	Proposes to modify the definition of "affected entity". Expands requirements imposed on counties and municipalities with respect to notice and information to be provided to applicants submitting a land use application.	Passed 2 nd Senate reading 2/16/06	2/7/06	2/9/06		
	HB 268	Representative Steven R. Mascaro (R)	Proposes to move the Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman to the Department of Commerce.	Reported from House Rules Committee 2/15/06	2/8/06			
	SB 170	Senator Alma Mansell (R)	Proposes to prohibit counties and municipalities from imposing stricter land use requirements or higher land use standards that are required under statute.	Lifted from Senate Business and Labor Committee 1/27/06	1/25/06			
	SB 267S	Senator Alma Mansell (R)	Proposes to modify the definition of "affected entity". Expands requirements imposed on counties and municipalities with respect to notice and information to be provided to applicants submitting a land use application.	2 nd Senate reading 2/17/06	2/7/06			
	SB 268S	Senator Alma Mansell (R)	Proposes to move the Office of the Property Rights Ombudsman to the Department of Commerce.	2 nd Senate reading 2/17/06	2/7/06			

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Other	HB 43	Representative Jeff Alexander (R)	Proposes to reauthorize programs that would otherwise sunset before the 2007 Annual General Session. Programs include: Air Conservation Act; Water Quality Act; Underground Storage Tank Act; Solid and Hazardous Waste Act; Hazardous Substances Mitigation Act; Used Oil Management Act; and Waste Tire Recycling Act.	Sent to Governor 2/7/06	1/16/06	1/17/06	2/3/06	
	HB 46 HB 46S	Representative Roger Barrus (R)	– Proposes to create the cabinet-level position of State Energy Officer and declare the state's energy policy.	Signed by Speaker of the House and President of the Senate 2/20/06	1/16/06	2/1/06	2/20/06	
	HB 93	Representative James Gowans (D)	Proposes to change the name of the Clean Fuels Vehicle Fund to the "Clean Fuels and Vehicle Technology Fund." Expands the items for which loans or grants from the fund may be given.	Introduced to Senate 2/17/06	1/11/06	2/17/06		
	HB 100	Representative A. Tilton (R) Senator Curtis Bramble (R)	Proposes to require entities that do business in the state to file a bond with the Division of Corporations and Commercial Code when it begins the environmental litigation.	Referred to Senate Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment Committee 2/17/06	1/12/06	2/14/06		

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
	HB 138S	Representative Rhonda Menlove (R) Senator Peter Knudson (R)	Substitute bill proposes to require manufacturers of vehicles sold in Utah to: submit a plan for the removal and collection of mercury switches; pay for the costs of removing and collecting mercury switches, including reimbursing a person who removes a mercury switch, and partially compensating the Division of Solid Waste Control Board for administering and enforcing the chapter.	Introduced to Senate 2/16/06	1/20/06	2/16		
	SB 153	Senator Lyle Hillyard (R)	Proposes to enact the Uniform Environmental Covenants Act.	Sent to Governor 2/20/06	1/18/06	2/6/06	2/15/06	

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WYOMING

REGULATORY DEVELOPMENTS & OTHER STATE INFORMATION

AIR INFORMATION:

None.

WATER INFORMATION:

WALLACE CREEK WATER BODY RECLASSIFICATION – The DEQ has adopted amendments to reclassify three unnamed tributaries in the Wallace Creek water body of the South Platte River Basin from 3B to 4B. The amendments were submitted to the EPA for final approval. For more information, contact Mr. Bill DiRienzo at (307) 777-7081.

RECLASSIFICATION OF CABALLO CREEK – The DEQ has adopted amendments to reclassify the Caballo Creek (within the Belle Fourche River Basin) from 3B to 2ABww. The amendments have been submitted to the EPA and are currently pending approval. For more information, contact Mr. Bill DiRienzo at (307) 777-7081. A copy of the approval letter and reclassification draft is <http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/events.asp>.

AMENDMENTS TO CROSS CONNECTION AND BACKFLOW PREVENTION RULES FOR PUBLIC WATER SUPPLY DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS – The DEQ is proposing to amend cross connection and backflow prevention rules for public water supply distribution systems. The amendments would allow residential and domestic non-residential service connections to be exempted from the requirement to install backflow devices to provide premises containment if certain conditions are met. The amendments were scheduled to be presented to the Environmental Quality Council (EQC) for consideration of adoption on February 15, 2006. For more information, contact Lou Harmon at (307) 777-7088. The rulemaking website is available at <http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/www/crossconnection.asp>.

RECLASSIFICATION OF AN UNNAMED TRIBUTARY TO POISON SPIDER CREEK, AN ISOLATED CHANNEL, AND WETLAND – The DEQ is proposing to reclassify an unnamed tributary to Poison Spider Creek in the North Platte River Basin and an isolated channel & wetland in the Great Divide Basin. These reclassifications will remove the aquatic life designation from the associated drainages by changing the classification from the current Classes 3B & 3A to 4C. The revisions were approved by the Water Quality Division on November 18, 2005 and must be approved by the EQC. No schedule for submission to the EQC is currently available. For more information, contact Mr. Bill DiRienzo at (307) 777-7081. The notice of proposed reclassification is available at http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/surfacestandards/Downloads/Bailey_Dome/Bailey_poison%20spider_PN.pdf.

2006 INTEGRATED 303(D) LIST/305(B) REPORT – The DEQ is drafting its combined 2006 303(d) list and 305(b) report. The DEQ is accepting comments on the draft integrated report through March 15, 2006. For more information, contact Bill DiRienzo at (307) 777-7081. The

draft report is available at <http://deq.state.wy.us/wqd/watershed/Downloads/305b/2006/6-0048.pdf>.

WASTE INFORMATION:

None.

LEGISLATIVE DEVELOPMENTS

The 2006 legislative session will begin on February 13, 2006 and end on March 10, 2006. For information on the legislative session, link: <http://legisweb.state.wy.us>.

Category	Bill #	Bill Sponsor	Description	Current Status	Bill Introduced	Passed 1 st House	Passed 2 nd House	Final Status
Air								
Water	SF 53	Senator John Schiffer (R) Representative Rosie Berger (R)	Proposes to provide for best management practices to be applied to effluent standards.	Failed introduction 2/16/06	2/13/06			
Waste	SF 38	Senate Minerals, Business & Economic Development Committee	Proposes to provide for the integration of solid waste management planning by municipal governments.	Referred to Senate Minerals, Business & Economic Development Committee	2/14/06			
Natural Resources								
Land Use	HB 52	Representative Tom Walsh (R) Senator Stan Cooper (R)	Proposes to authorize the purchase of real property by the State of Wyoming near the area of Camp Guernsey, Wyoming in order to increase the capabilities of Camp Guernsey as a military training ground for the Wyoming National Guard and to prevent public or private encroachment that may inhibit future military use. Provides an appropriation for purchase of said land.	Failed introduction 2/15/06	2/13/06			
Other								

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